(c) Government of India provides a subsidy @ Rs. 3.40 per square metre on the production of janata cloth.

Selling of land by loss making textile Industries in Public Sector

3606. SHRI VISHWASRAO RAMARAO PATIL: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Textile Mills under Public Sector running into losses have been permitted to sell lands under their ownership to improve their financial condition; and

(b) if so, the names of such mills which have been granted permission and have already sold their lands so far?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (*SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT*): (a) and (b) B.I.C. mills have not been permitted to sell their lands. In case of NTC mills, instructions have been issued recently that no sale of land/building should take place till its restructuring plan is finalised.

Showrooms of NTC in the Capital

3607. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that NTC has opened a number of showrooms in the capital for retail sale of NTC clothes thereon;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what was the net annual sale of such show rooms during the last three years and the total expenditure incurred by Government on rent, their establishment and on other factors such as payment of salary to their staff etc, during the said period;

(d) whether Government had suffered any loss on such showrooms during the last three years;

(e) if so, the details thereof;

(f) whether the Government are aware that the sales employees in the NTC showrooms are not cautious and do not bother for the customers; and

(g) if so, what action Government propose to take to improve the matter and boost the sale of clothes from NTC showrooms in the Capital?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI ASHOK GEHLOT): (a) to (b) Yes, Sir. NTC is running 17 showrooms in Delhi.

(c) The total sale of these showrooms and expenditure on them during the last three years is given below:

(Rs. in lakhs)

Year	Sales	Expenditure
1989-90. . .	225·76	30·23
1990-91. . . .	331·69	54·21
1991-92. . . .	405·00	64·98

(d) and (e) During the past 3 years, two of these showrooms suffered losses as per details given below:—

(Rs In Lakhs)

Name of the showroom	Year	Amount of Loss
1. Subzi Mandi	1989-90	—0·12
	1990-91	—0·18
	1991-92	—0·18
2. Vishwas Nagar	1989-90	Nil
	1990-91	Nil
	1991-92	—0·06

(f) and (g) NTC has been advised to direct their showrooms employees to be courteous to the customers.